

REMARKS

Allowable Subject

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 13 and 14 were found allowable in the March 21, 2002 Office Action and the May 30, 2003 Advisory Action because the claims are directed to isolated promoter sequences, and vectors comprising said promoter sequences, which are free of the art of record and satisfy all requirements of section 112.

Applicants have previously cancelled or are currently canceling herein claims 6-11 and 15-26 and thereby placing the present application in condition for allowance. Notice of the same is earnestly solicited. In the event that any issues remain, Examiner Sullivan is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at (919) 419-9350 to resolve same.

Petition for Extension of Time/Fees Payable

The applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the deadline for responding to the March 21, 2003 Office Action from June 21, 2003 to July 21, 2003. The entry of this petition results in a petition fee of \$55.00. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is submitted herewith in payment of the petition fee for a one-month extension. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional amount necessary to the entry of this amendment, and to credit any excess payment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3284 of Intellectual Property/Technology Law.

Respectfully submitted,



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